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SUBJ: CCD: REVISION OF WESTERN DRAFT DECLARATION ON DISARMAMENT
FOR UN SPECIAL SESSION ON DISARMAMENT

1. CANADIAN ALTERNATE CCD REP (SIMARD) PROVIDED U.S. DEL
WITH SECOND REVISION OF WESTERN DRAFT OF DECLARATION ON
DISARMAMENT FOR FINAL DOCUMENT OF UN SPECIAL SESSION ON
DISARMAMENT (SSOD). TEXT FOLLOWS:
BEGIN TEXT:

DECLARATION ON DISARMAMENT

1) ARMS LIMITATIONS AND DISARMAMENT CAN MAKE A MAJOR CONTRIBUTION
TO INTERNATIONAL PEACE AND SECURITY, AND TO THE ECONOMIC AND
SOCIAL ADVANCE OF MANKIND;

2) THE GOAL OF NEGOTIATIONS IS TO ACHIEVE AGREEMENT ON A PROGRAMME
WHICH WILL ENSURE THAT (A) DISARMAMENT IS GENERAL AND COMPLETE
AND WAR IS NO LONGER AN INSTRUMENT FOR SETTLING INTERNATIONAL
PROBLEMS, AND (B) SUCH DISARMAMENT IS ACCOMPANIED BY THE ESTABLISH-
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MENT OF RELIABLE PROCEDURES FOR THE PEACEFUL SETTLEMENT OF
DISPUTES AND EFFECTIVE ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE MAINTENANCE OF PEACE
IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PRINCIPLES OF THE UNITED NATIONS CHARTER;

3) THE ULTIMATE GOAL OF DISARMAMENT NEGOTIATIONS SHOULD BE GENERAL
AND COMPLETE DISARMAMENT UNDER STRICT AND EFFECTIVE INTERNATIONAL
CONTROL;

4) THE PROGRAMME FOR GENERAL AND COMPLETE DISARMAMENT SHALL ENSURE THAT STATES WILL HAVE AT THEIR DISPOSAL ONLY THOSE NON-NUCLEAR ARMAMENTS, FORCES, FACILITIES, AND ESTABLISHMENTS AS ARE AGREED TO BE NECESSARY TO MAINTAIN INTERNAL ORDER AND PROTECT THE PERSONAL SECURITY OF CITIZENS AND THAT STATES SHALL SUPPORT AND PROVIDE AGREED MANPOWER FOR A UNITED NATIONS PEACE FORCE;

5) MULTILATERAL DISARMAMENT MEASURES DEALING WITH SPECIFIC ISSUES, INCLUDING THOSE ON A REGIONAL BASIS, SHOULD BE UNDERTAKEN AS SOON AS POSSIBLE AS A CONTRIBUTION TO PROGRESS, STEP BY STEP, TOWARDS THE ULTIMATE OBJECTIVE OF ACHIEVING GENERAL AND COMPLETE DISARMAMENT;

6) NEGOTIATIONS ON COLLATERAL MEASURES OF DISARMAMENT SHOULD NOT PRECLUDE NEGOTIATIONS ON A TREATY ON GENERAL AND COMPLETE DISARMAMENT;

IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PRINCIPLES OF THE UNITED NATIONS CHARTER;

7) THERE IS AN URGENT NEED TO INTENSIFY DISARMAMENT EFFORTS AND TO ACCELERATE THE PACE OF ALL DISARMAMENT NEGOTIATIONS, THUS CONTRIBUTIONS TOWARDS THE RELAXATION OF TENSION AND THE ADVANCEMENT OF PEACEFUL RELATIONS AMONG ALL STATES;

8) ALL MEASURES OF DISARMAMENT SHOULD BE BALANCED SO THAT AT NO STAGE OF THE IMPLEMENTATION OF ANY TREATY COULD ANY STATE OR GROUP OF STATES GAIN MILITARY ADVANTAGE AND SO THAT SECURITY IS ENSURED EQUALLY FOR ALL. THE GOAL OF LIMITED MEASURES OF LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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DISARMAMENT IS UNDIMINISHED SECURITY AT A LOWER LEVEL OF ARMAMENTS AND MILITARY FORCES;

9) THE PRINCIPLE OF BALANCED DISARMAMENT IMPLIES NUMERICAL DECREASES OF MEN AND TYPES OF ARMS TO AGREED LEVELS, COUPLED WITH OTHER DISARMAMENT MEASURES TO ENSURE THAT AN OVERALL BALANCE IS ACHIEVED WHICH IS JUDGED BY ALL PARTIES TO BE SATISFACTORY IN THE LIGHT OF THEIR OWN SECURITY;

10) SINCE ALL STATES ARE CONCERNED WITH INTERNATIONAL SECURITY AND WITH THE ESSENTIAL PART TO BE PLAYED IN ITS ENHANCEMENT BY ARMS CONTROL AND DISARMAMENT MEASURES, THEY ALL HAVE VITAL INTEREST IN THE OUTCOME OF DISARMAMENT NEGOTIATIONS;

11) PROGRESS IN DISARMAMENT SHOULD BE ACCOMPANIED BY MEASURES TO

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STRENGTHEN INSTITUTIONS FOR MAINTAINING PEACE IN THE SETTLEMENT
OF INTERNATIONAL DISPUTES BY PEACEFUL MEANS;

12) SINCE VERIFICATION IS AN IMPORTANT CRITERION OF THE VIABILITY
OF ARMS CONTROL AND DISARMAMENT AGREEMENTS, ALL DISARMAMENT
MEASURES SHOULD BE IMPLEMENTED FROM BEGINNING TO END UNDER SUCH
INTERNATIONAL CONTROL AS WOULD PROVIDE FIRM ASSURANCE THAT ALL
PARTIES ARE HONOURING THEIR OBLIGATIONS;

13) VERIFICATION MUST BE APPROPRIATE AND ADEQUATE FOR EACH PARTICULAR
AGREEMENT, TAKING INTO ACCOUNT THE RISKS THAT WOULD RESULT FROM
NON-COMPLIANCE WITH A SPECIFIC DISARMAMENT MEASURE;

14) PROGRESS IN ARMS CONTROL AND DISARMAMENT FIELD WOULD BE STIMULATED

IF A MORE FORTHCOMING AND POSITIVE ATTITUDE TOWARDS VERIFICATION
WERE ADOPTED BY ALL MEMBERS OF THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY;

15) EVENTUAL ELIMINATION OF ALL NUCLEAR WEAPONS IS ESSENTIAL SINCE
THE DANGERS OF NUCLEAR WARFARE REMAINS A GRAVE THREAT TO THE
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SURVIVAL OF MANKIND; PARTIAL AGREEMENTS ON NUCLEAR ARMS CONTROL,
ALTHOUGH VITAL TO PROGRESS TOWARDS THIS GOAL, ARE NOT A SUB-
STITUTE FOR IT;

16) EFFORTS TO CURB AND REVERSE THE NUCLEAR ARMS RACE MUST INCLUDE
MEASURES TO PREVENT BOTH HORIZONTAL AND VERTICAL PROLIFERATION.

THERE MUST BE BALLANCED PROGRESS IN BOTH AREAS IN ORDER TO ENHANCE INTERNATIONAL SECURITY ON AN EQUITABLE BASIS;

17) THE ESTABLISHMENT UNDER APPROPRIATE CONDITIONS OF NUCLEAR-WEAPONS-FREE-ZONES CONTRIBUTES TO STRENGTHENING THE SECURITY OF MEMBERS OF SUCH ZONES AND TO THE PREVENTION OF PROLIFERATION OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS;

18) WHILE THE RIGHT OF ALL STATES TO ENJOY THE BENEFITS OF PEACEFUL USES OF NUCLEAR ENERGY AND THE IMPORTANCE OF STRENGTHENING INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION IN THAT FIELD ARE RECOGNIZED, IT IS ESSENTIAL TO ENSURE THAT THE PEACEFUL APPLICATION OF NUCLEAR ENERGY WILL NOT LEAD TO FURTHER PROLIFERATION OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS OR OTHER NUCLEAR EXPLOSIVE DEVICES;

19) THE PROHIBITION AND ELIMINATION OF WEAPONS OF MASS DESTRUCTION OTHER THAN NUCLEAR WEAPONS, SUCH AS CHEMICAL WEAPONS, AND OF ANY WEAPONS DEVELOPED IN THE FUTURE WHICH HAVE CHARACTERISTICS COMPARABLE IN DESTRUCTIVE EFFECTS, ARE OF THE HIGHEST IMPORTANCE;

20) IT IS RECOGNIZED THAT THE EXPANDING ARMS RACE AND THE INCREASING INTERNATIONAL ARMS TRADE ABSORB ESSENTIAL MATERIAL AND HUMAN RESOURCES THAT SHOULD BE DEVOTED TO THE PEACEFUL ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT OF ALL COUNTRIES;

21) REDUCTION OF MILITARY BUDGETS IN ALL COUNTRIES WOULD MAKE POSSIBLE

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UNDIMINISHED SECURITY AT A LOWER LEVEL OF ARMAMENTS, HELP TO REDUCE INTERNATIONAL TENSIONS, AND LEAD EVENTUALLY TO THE RELEASE OF RESOURCES BOTH NATIONALLY AND INTERNATIONALLY FOR ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT;

22) ALL STATES SHOULD INTENSIFY THEIR EFFORTS TO ENSURE RESOURCES FREED BY DISARMAMENT ARE DEVOTED INCREASINGLY TO THE SATISFACTION OF THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL NEEDS OF HUMANITY, PARTICULARLY IN THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES;

23) SINCE MOST OF THE WORLD'S MILITARY EXPENDITURES ARE BEING DEVOTED TO THE CONVENTIONAL ARMS RACE, IT IS OF HIGH PRIORITY FOR ALL STATES TO MAKE ALL POSSIBLE EFFORTS TO HALT THIS WASTE OF RESOURCES THAT SHOULD BE USED FOR ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT OF THE PEOPLES OF THE WORLD.
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